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Summary of Key Cost Drivers and Allocation Methodologies

Functions	What is it?	Allocation driver (Current)	Factors business can influence – Ability to influence
TI	Machines, data centers, networking, TI payroll (ex SBC)	Usage-based as per Resource Economy	Machine utilization due to ordering behaviour / forecast accuracy - High
	TI SBC, Corp Eng, Security & Privacy	Corp Eng: HC (FTEs and TVCs that have assets/equipment) TI SBC: In proportion to RE	Code reliability and scalability, and reduction of PA specific applications - Medium
Shared Eng	Eng teams supporting x-PA (e.g., payments infra, ads eng, eng interns)	Business Finance provides allocation rates, method varies case by case.	Shared Eng HC resourcing decisions - High Shared Eng Platforms/Tools Usage - Low PA-specific Platforms/Tools Usage - Medium

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TI Price Variance

Summary of Key Cost Drivers and Allocation

Methodology

Functions	What is it?	Allocation driver (Current)	Factors business can influence
REWS	Rent, building and fit-out depreciation	SqFt	Office locations, office density, seated HC - Medium
	Security, transportation, employee perks, food	Headcount	
POps	Staffing	Offers accepted	Volume and location of net hires, including accurate demand signals - Medium
	HRBPs, ops, PeopleDev, benefits & comp	Headcount	
Global Affairs	Legal, Government Affairs & Public Policy, Trust & Safety, and Google.org	Mostly direct, otherwise survey	Streamlining and standardization of contracts could lower costs - Low/Medium
Finance	FP&A and Accounting teams	FP&A: Survey, Acctg: POs/invoices/rev	Low
Central	Bad debt, VAT, and other taxes and other unallocated costs	Mostly direct, otherwise survey	High

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Summary of Key Cost Drivers and Allocation Methodologies

Functions	What is it?	Allocation driver (Current)	Factors business can influence
Sales	Salesforce and related support costs	By survey to assess product focus	Product complexity - Medium
Marketing	A&P plus marketing HC	A&P directly coded to PA, otherwise survey	Decision on PA-specific \$ spent - High

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Summary of Approved Changes (2020+)	
	Former Methodology (2019 & prior)
TI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multiple methodologies: Resource Economy, HC, Price Variance (real opex vs. RE), Other custom Use the survey to allocate out costs Some costs coded to Z99 product code -> Stewardship bucket
Marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Variety of costs, including long tail of "Other" products: Turquoise, Health, etc
Google Stewardship & Other	
Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the survey to allocate out costs Currently, 100% of research is allocated to itself
Core	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the survey to allocate out costs Currently, it is treated as a Product Area
HouseAds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cash Costs booked to PA Non Cash A&P. imputed rev not included in P&Ls
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TL;DR list of what we consider to be the most important changes/decisions needed coming out of the deep dives

GPI drivers most likely combination of HC metrics, direct coding to PA's

For 2018, the following was the split for House Ads CAC:

DVAAs: \$161m

Search Ads: \$23m

YouTube: \$98m

This was netted out through Stewardship: \$282m of contra expense

Details of allocation methodologies

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Allocations: Keywords and Definitions

Directly Coded

- Costs that are directly coded to a product code, which is mapped to a PA from the relevant cost pool

Needs Allocation

- Costs that need to be allocated out to PAs from the relevant cost pool

Allocated from Others

- Costs allocated to the function/PA from another function/PA

Survey

- Assigns costs from 'needs allocation' bucket to a PA based on survey results
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Sweep

- Any remaining costs not assigned to PA is distributed in the same ratio resulting from the survey
- Ensures 'completeness' of cost allocation

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Marketing Allocation - Movement of a Marketing Dollar (FY 2018)

Current Methodology

FP&A SignOff Susan Coughlin (Finance Manager)

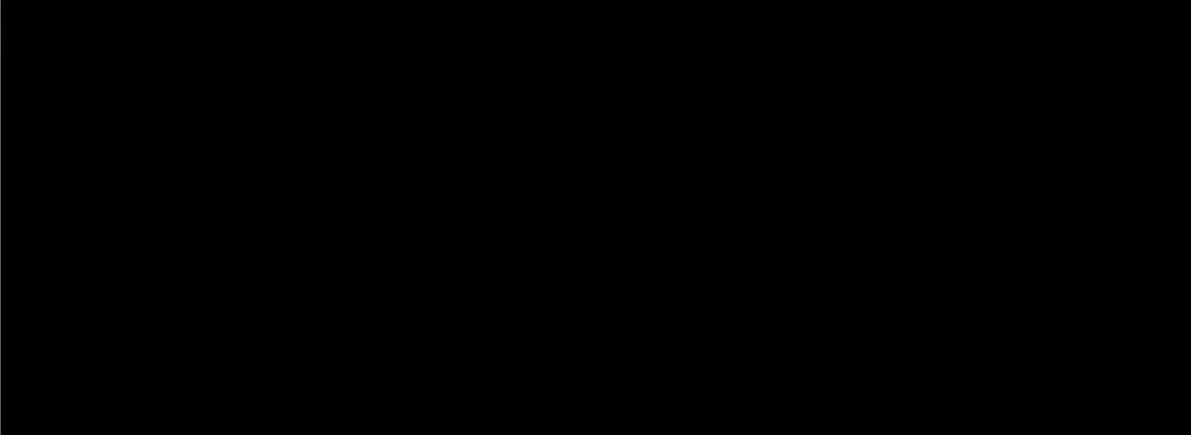
Accounting SignOff Stephanie L'ecuyer (Marketing Business Controller)

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Need to solve for Stewardship cost; Items that are coded into the z99 bucket- Ok to utilize the sweep methodology for this.

Current Methodology

Stewardship Allocation - Components and Sources of Google **Stewardship and Other**

FP&A SignOff Kristin Nadreau (Finance Director)

Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

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Need to identify what truly belongs in Stewardship

GPI Allocation - Movement of a GPI/Core Systems Dollar (FY 2018)

Current Methodology (0)

FP&A SignOff Sapna Kapur (Finance Director), Paul Gormley (Finance Director)

Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager) & Lily Yao (Corporate Accounting)

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Financial & Reporting (0)



Reviewing to update/change current methodology to allocate out more of the GPI costs that gets allocated back to the GPI after the survey

Current Methodology

Research Allocation - Movement of a **Research** Dollar (FY 2018)

FP&A SignOff Mike Roszak (Finance Director) & Catherine Han (Finance Manager)

Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

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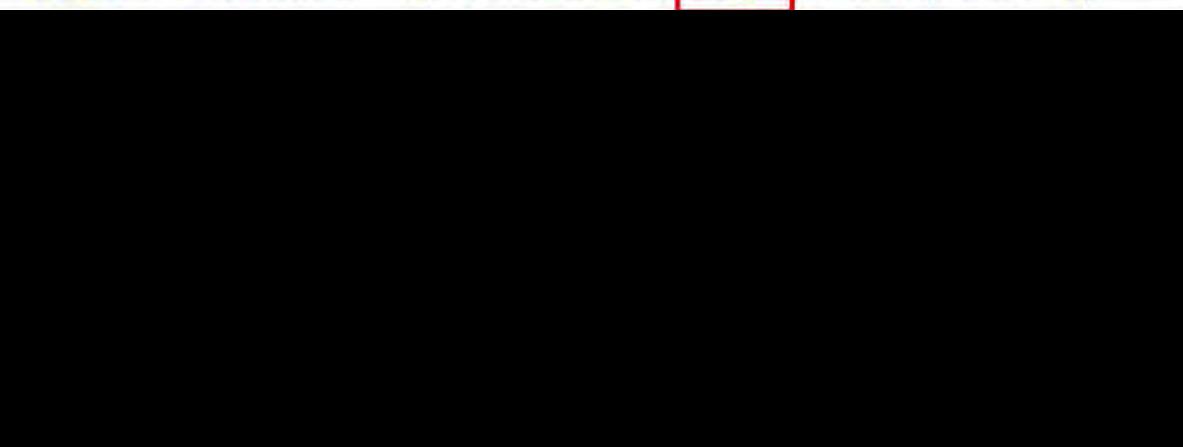
Should we be allocating research \$ to the respective PA's instead of allocating back to research

-Question for the leadership at allocation reviews



Legal's Allocation - Movement of a Legal Dollar (FY 2018)

Current Methodology



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Accounting SignOff: Dan Martinelli (Controller) & Heriberto Hernandez (Legal Controller)

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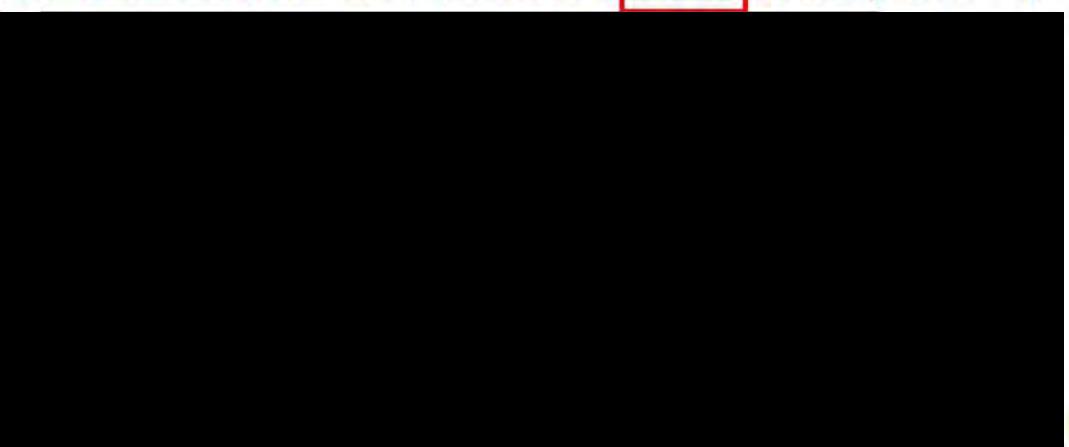
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Financials & Reporting

*includes the \$5B EU fine coded to Platforms & Ecosystems PA □**proforma without \$5B EU fine

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Cloud Allocation - Movement of a Cloud Dollar (FY 2018)



FP&A SignOff Kristin Maczko (Finance Manager)

Accounting SignOff Christopher Trinh (Business Controller)

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Sales Allocation - Movement of a Sales Dollar (FY 2018)



FP&A SignOff Mica Ross (Finance Manager)

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REWs Allocation - Movement of a REWS Dollar (FY 2018)

Current Methodology

FP&A SignOff: Ant Janse Van Rensburg (Finance Director) and Scott Kleman (Finance Manager)

Accounting SignOff: Shawn Penney (REWs Business Controller)

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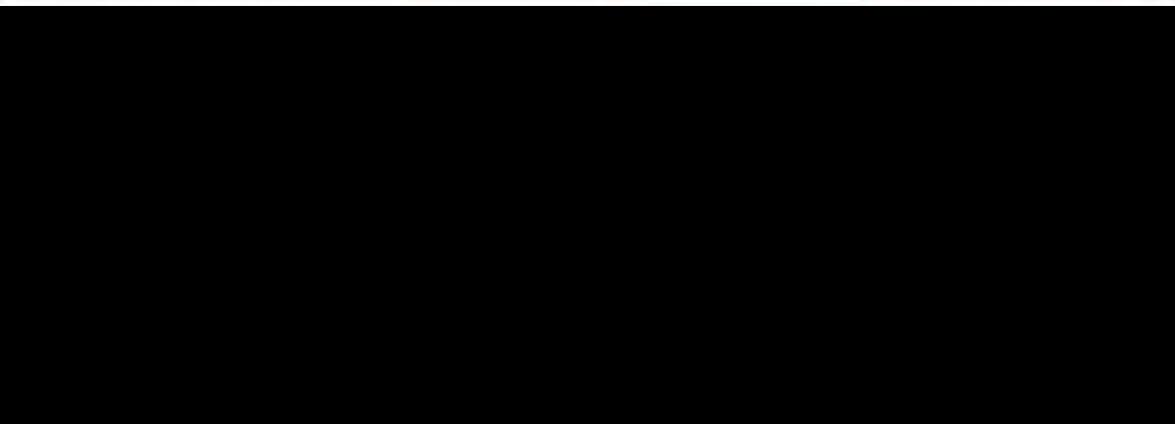
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Scott Kleman: The trace-ability of cost and ability to explain input / output changes in the model is not satisfactory. In order to get improved reporting and trace-ability, we may need to simplify / change the model.

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Search Ads Allocation - Movement of a **Search Ads Dollar (FY 2018)**



FP&A SignOff Mica Ross (Finance Director)

Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

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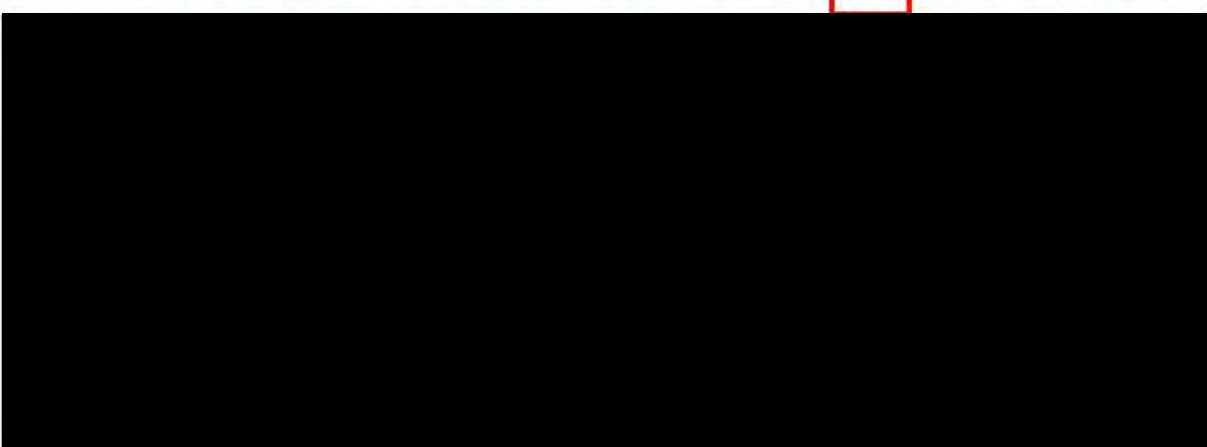
Platforms & EcoSystem Allocation - Movement of a **P&E** Dollar (FY 2018)

FP&A SignOff Christian Cramer (Finance Director)

Accounting SignOff Anthony Di Vento (P&E Accounting Controller)

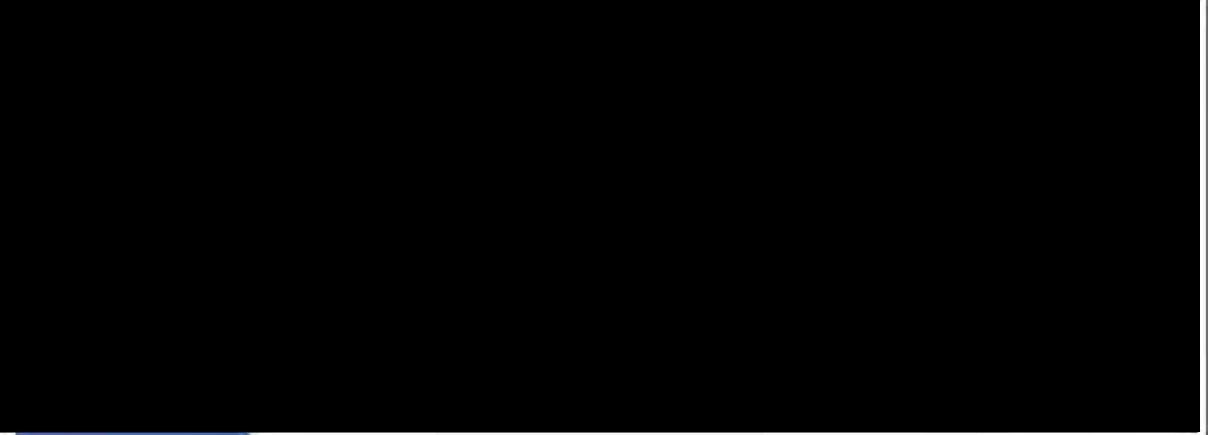
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Hardware Allocation - Movement of a **Hardware Dollar (FY 2018)**



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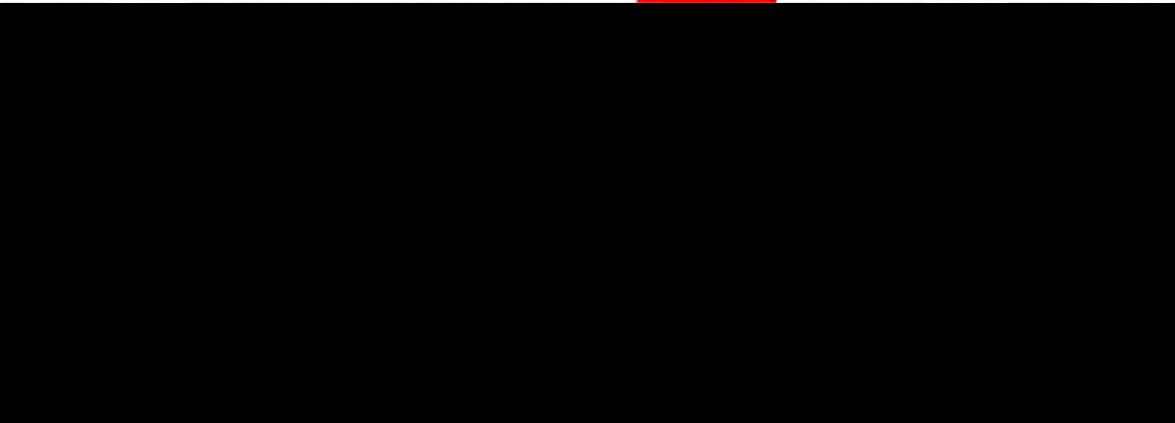
Accounting SignOff Marsida Saraci (Finance Director) & Sandy Mendoza (Hardware Business Controller)

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Search Allocation - Movement of a **Search** Dollar (FY 2018)



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Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

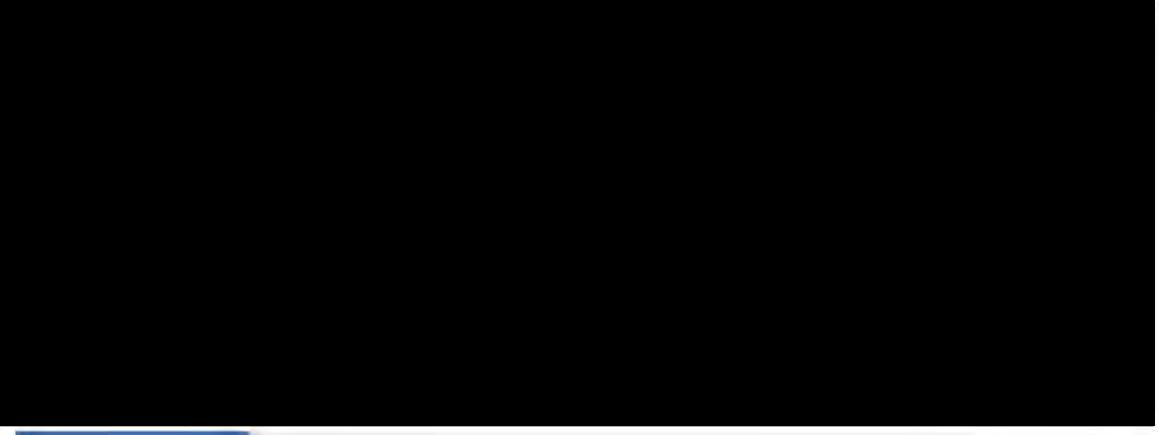
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Watch List:
Friends of search
TI costs
Core Systems
Assistant

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YouTube Allocation - Movement of a YouTube Dollar (FY 2018)



FP&A SignOff Dan Walker (Finance Director) & Jason Grimm (Finance Director)

Accounting SignOff Jesse Brandl (YT Business Controller)

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Watch List: House Ads

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Geo Allocation - Movement of a **Geo Dollar (FY 2018)**



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Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

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POps Allocation - Movement of a POPS Dollar (FY 2018)

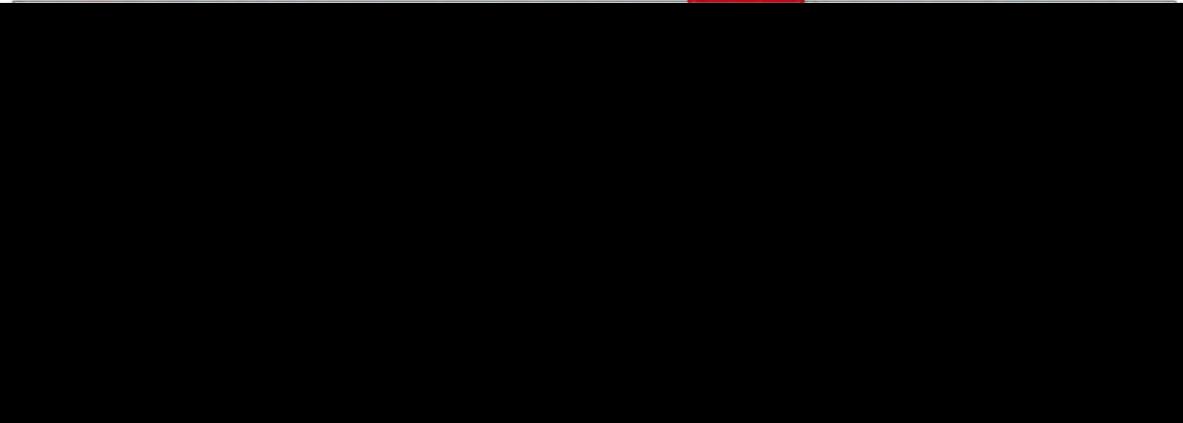
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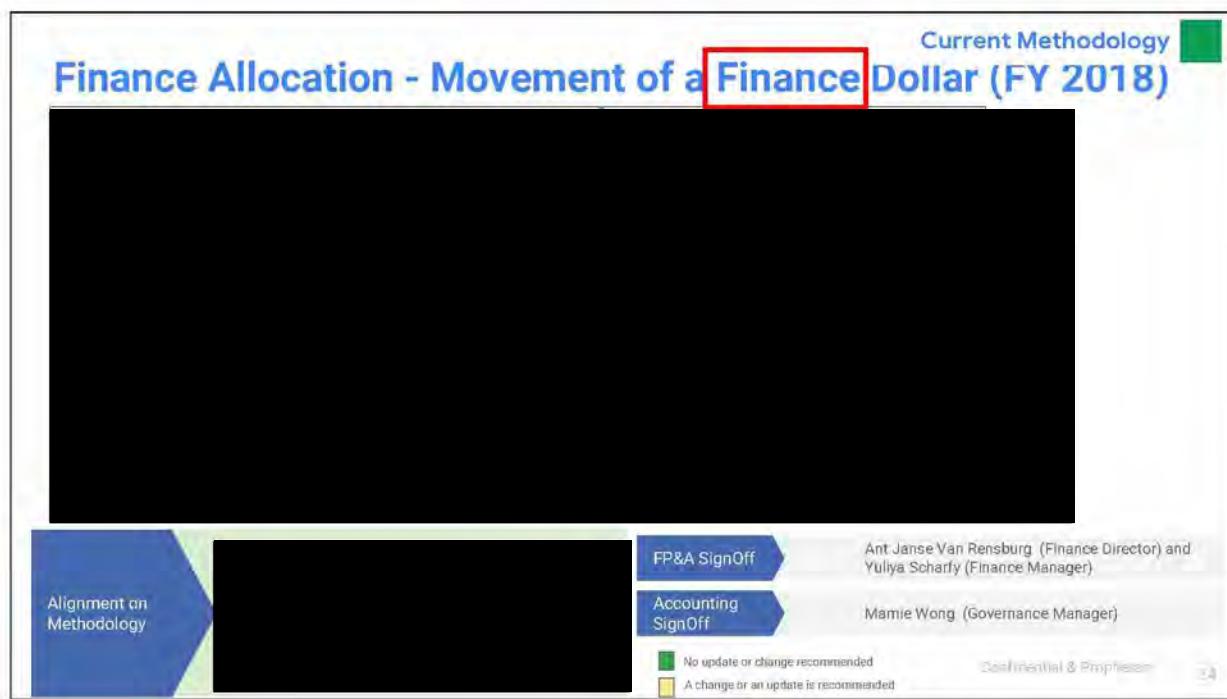
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Accounting SignOff: Winnie Wel (Accounting Manager)

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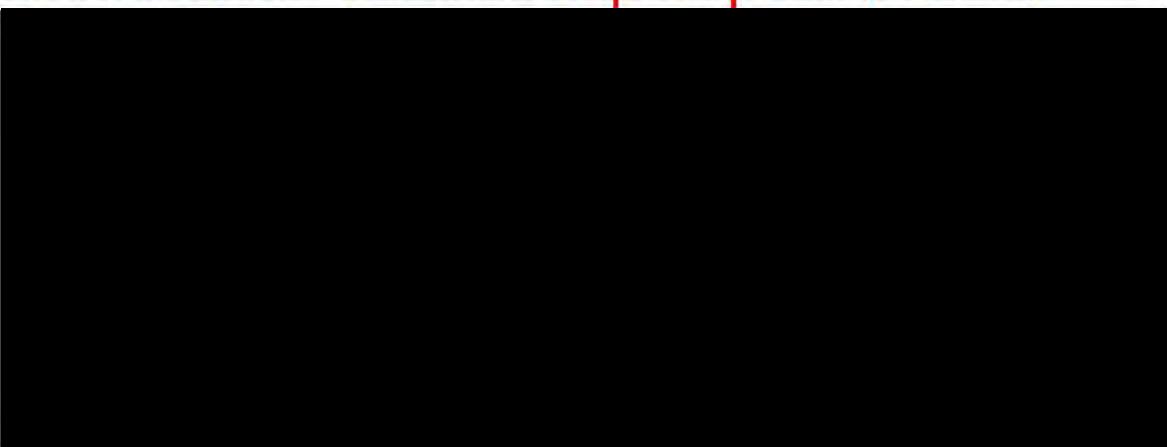
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DVAA Allocation - Movement of a DVAA Dollar (FY 2018)



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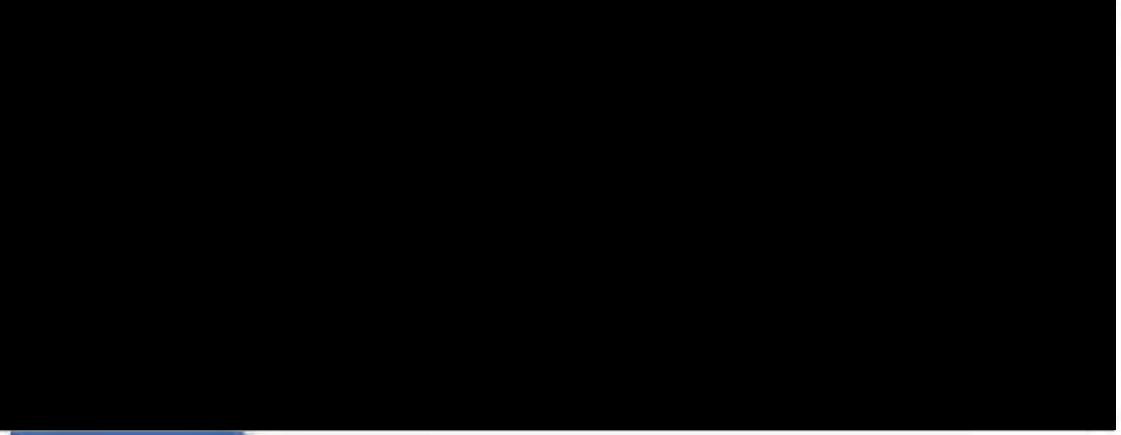
Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

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Brand & Reputation Allocation - Movement of a B&R Dollar (FY 2018)



FP&A SignOff Ant Janse Van Rensburg (Finance Director)

Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

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DayDream Allocation - Movement of a DayDream Dollar (FY 2018)



FP&A SignOff Mike Foley (Finance Director)

Accounting SignOff Mariana Galindez (Finance Manager)

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Revenue Allocation - Turbo Reclasses

Current Methodology



FP&A SignOff Mireya Bravomalo (Director Revenue Accounting)

Accounting SignOff Mamie Wong (Governance Manager)

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